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Late night, early voting

Close to 9 p.m. Sunday night, a person walks into the Royal Canadian Legion in Haliburton where advanced voting was held for residents starting on Friday. It continued on the weekend and ended at 9 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 13. Elections Canada reported there were 1.3 million Canadians, who voted on Friday./
DARREN LUM Staff

All Candidates meeting: tough questions in a civil environment

KATRINA BOGUSKI

Editor

On Sept. 9, federal candidates for the riding of Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock had a chance to respond to ques-

tions on a range of topics. The questions had been sent in advance of the meeting and were read to the candidates by the moderator, Bernie Reznicki, of the Retired Teachers of Ontario.

After the introductory comments by host Adam Folland of the Frost Student Association, the program began with

opening remarks from the candidates; each candidate had five minutes for their opening remarks. The tone of the event was remarkably civil.

It is unclear if the civility is a reflection of the personality of the candidates, or the format of the event. One astute observer noted that the electronic format did not

provide an opportunity for hecklers to up the tension that often accompanies political events. Candidates were also masked during times when they were not speaking, and this unusual situation undoubtedly restricted banter between them.

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All candidates meeting strikes conversational tone

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The format of the meeting took on the air of a conversation rather than a debate. At various stages throughout the evening, different candidates agreed with each other and pointed out the similarities between their shared objectives. They then went on to explain the nuances between their party and the others on the topics of discussion.

The most striking agreement between the candidates came from Gene Balfour, the Libertarian candidate. During his opening remarks, after articulating principles of the Libertarian platform, he stated, "Frankly, I want Jamie Schmale to go to Ottawa on my behalf ... On the ballot I am actually going to be voting for Jamie Schmale. I am not going to be voting for myself."

The two-hour meeting was rescheduled, with the start time being moved ahead to accommodate the English language leadership debate which took place later that same evening. A recording of the all candidates meeting is available on the website of the Lindsay District Chamber of Commerce.

The candidates' names, in the order they appeared on the program are: Jamie Schmale (Conservative), Judi Forbes (Liberal), Zac Miller (NDP), Gene Balfour (Libertarian), Angel Godsoe (Green) and Allison Davidson (PPC). Brief excerpts from the candidates' remarks are found below. Readers are encouraged to view the complete meeting for further commentary made by each participant. The *Haliburton County Echo* welcomes your letters to the editor, especially on issues raised during the question period.

The initial comments from the candidates were made in the order they appear below. For the closing comments, the order was reversed.

In her opening address, after commenting on the provincial Conservative parties of Ontario and Alberta, Liberal candidate Judi Forbes said, "...you can choose to move forward with me with a strong Liberal government with a track record of helping all Canadians through the worst global pandemic in over a hundred years. Your Liberal government has been and continues to be there for you, your family, your loved ones, your businesses [and] your community. We stepped up when you needed a strong government the most and we delivered."

Zac Miller, the NDP candidate addressed listeners saying, "In every corner of the country and this riding, families are worried about jobs, the health of their loved ones, the climate crisis and public services that everyone counts on. But we have an economy that does not work to protect or enact such policies. We live in an economy that is by design benefiting the wealthy and the rich. We have an economy that works for large corporations while main streets and villages in our riding struggle."

The candidate for the Green party, Angel Godsoe, said, "What the Green Party Canada proposes is not going to just ripple across the surface of our society, shaping things in a small way; the changes implemented will be fundamental, very significant and will immediately impact every individual."

Allison Davidson, candidate for the People's Party of Canada said, "I know there is a lot of issues right now that have come up during the campaign, affordable housing, gun control, our ballooning debt that we're getting into, the huge amounts of spending, that is causing inflation, and affordability problems and could possibly cause a debt crisis, in the future, but to me the most important thing and [which] makes all these other issues pale, is our freedom."

After saying that many people have questioned why the election was called at this time, as we are entering a fourth wave of the pandemic, Jamie Schmale the Conservative candidate and incumbent said, "We're going to restore competence, transparency, accountability to government we're going to protect your freedoms, and we're going to ensure that Canada is never unprepared for a pandemic again."

Gene Balfour, the Libertarian candidate said, "I am not looking for votes. What I am looking for is ... for you to listen to some of the ideas that I want to introduce to this political discussion ... I have a fundamental belief and that is that there is no democracy in Canada unless there is less government as a political option on every ballot across the nation in every single election ..."

After the opening statements from each of the candidates, the moderator read out questions which had been submitted in advance. Candidates had 1.5 minutes to respond to the questions.

The first issue presented to the candidates concerned affordable housing. It asked, "If elected, what specifically will your party do to cut the unnecessary red tape to

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— Gene Balfour, Libertarian candidate

reduce the delay in building more homes; and how will your government make it easier for new housing units to come on to the market?"

Judi Forbes was the first to answer the question and replied, "Every Canadian deserves a safe and affordable place to call home...housing prices have gone sky high. I know because I'm married to a Realtor...We have a plan called a home for everyone." Forbes then went on to provide some specifics of the plan which includes a rent to own program and help for Canadians under forty to save up to \$40,000 for their first home in a tax-free account. There are also plans to promote home repair.

Jamie Schmale said, "The issue here is on the supply side." Schmale noted that there are 37,000 buildings in the government's portfolio and there are plans to release 15 per cent of that supply. They also plan to ban foreign home ownership for those who are trying to use Canada as a place to hide their money from other governments.

Other questions included ones related to plans to get Michael Spavor and Michael Kovrig out of China; mental health issues, homelessness and the opioid crisis among others. The moderator, Bernie Reznicki, had to cut off questions due to the time constraints. He expressed regret at not being able to get through all of the questions.

Host Adam Folland asked candidates if would be willing to receive additional questions by email and reply with a limited word count. The candidates appeared willing to continue the questions in this format.

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The Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit and Ontario government are teaming up to have the GOVAXX bus come to the region this September. A pair of GO buses have been temporarily retrofitted to serve as mobile COVID-19 vaccine clinics as part of the Province's efforts to target those who have yet to receive a first or second dose. Since hitting the road in August, the buses have visited Canada's Wonderland, Rogers Centre, BMO Field, select shopping malls, various universities/colleges, farmers' markets, festivals and more to provide COVID-19 vaccines.

Now, the GO-VAXX bus is coming to this region to provide COVID-19 vaccines as follows:

- Sunday, Sept. 19, 1 to 4 p.m. at Abbey Gardens (1012 Garden Gate Dr.) in Haliburton County. The site is located 10 minutes from Haliburton Village, towards Carnarvon, just off Highway 118.

- Sunday, Sept. 26, 5 to 9 p.m. at the Lindsay Exhibition (354 Angeline St. S). The timing coincides with the LEX's demolition derby.

"We're pleased to be working with the Province and Metrolinx to bring the GO-VAXX bus to our communities," says Doreen Boville, a Health Promoter with the HKPR District Health Unit. "We encourage anyone who still needs COVID19 vaccine to get aboard the bus and get a first or second dose so they are fully protected against COVID-19, especially as we head into a fourth wave."

Anyone wishing to take advantage of the GO-VAXX bus to receive a vaccine is reminded to:

- Bring your health card. If you do not have a health



card or your health card is expired, bring another form of government-issued photo identification such as a driver's license, passport, Status card, or birth certificate

- Eat and drink something before you arrive to prevent feeling faint or dizzy while being vaccinated.

- Dress for the weather in case there is a line-up

- Wear clothing that allows for easy access to the upper arm such as a loose-fitting top or T-shirt.

- Wear a mask that covers your nose, mouth, and chin

- Do not visit the GO-VAXX bus if you have symptoms of COVID-19

For media inquiries, contact: Doreen Boville, Health Promoter, HKPR District Health Unit, 1-866-888-4577, ext. 2323.

Submitted

EMS response plan to stay the same

KATRINA BOGUSKI

Editor

The following are brief reports of items discussed at the virtual Haliburton County Council committee of the whole meeting on Sept. 8.

The meeting began with Warden Danielson delivering regrets from Councillor Moffat who was absent from the meeting. She also offered condolences to Chief Waite on the loss of his mother.

There were no pecuniary interests declared and minutes from the Aug. 11 meeting were passed.

Public works report

Director of Public Works, Robert Sutton reported that maintenance projects are going well overall, although weather conditions have delayed some projects. Surface treatments should be completed soon and they hope to catch up on some grading which had been delayed due to weather. Sutton also noted that the department is expecting a very busy September if the weather cooperates.

Sutton reported that a condition related to the Rail Trail was cleared with Infrastructure Canada, and that the project will be starting later this month. There will be regular status updates provided to council.

Councillor Andrea Roberts asked a question about the extent of the resurfacing of the trail. Sutton replied, "...

Because of COVID and other escalation in prices, we're concentrating on the southernly 15.5 kilometres of the Rail Trail to do base improvements as well as the granite overlay." Sutton also noted that the northernly 18.5 kilometres of the trail had been resurfaced earlier, but does require some maintenance. The department is looking at ways to do this work in the future within the budget available.

Councillor Andrea Roberts noted that some portions of the trail are difficult for bikers due to the grading. Sutton responded that the department is aware of the situation and they are looking at ways to resolve it. Sutton's report was accepted as information.

EMS report

Chief Tim Waite presented the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) response time plan for 2022. He said, "Annually we have to have a plan prior to Oct. 1 and it needs to be submitted to the ministry by Oct. 31. The plan that I have proposed is unchanged from last year."

He noted that some of the response times had not been reached last year. However, he added, "As of July 31, we were meeting our response time as per this plan."

Chief Waite's written report included background information which stated, "Response time has historically been used as a measurement for system effectiveness. The assumption was that faster is better: The quicker the system responded, the higher the quality of clinical outcomes. Recent evidence-based research

has allowed us to better understand the relationship between clinical outcomes and response times. This current research has suggested that our response times have little impact on clinical outcomes outside a small subset of call types. The paramedics also have a larger number of skills to provide the care required upon arriving at the patient's side. The noted plan is unchanged from last year and maintains response time expectations to those calls that evidence shows makes a difference while allowing us more time to respond to requests for service that are less time sensitive."

This same section of the report also noted "The County is able to make adjustments to the Response Time Standard Plan at any time during the year; therefore, if the plan is found to be inadequate, we can adjust accordingly."

The committee of the whole passed the plan without question. Prior to the vote on the issue, CAO/Clerk Mike Rutter read a lengthy resolution which outlined the proposed response times for various emergency situations.

Director of Corporate Services, Andrea Bull, presented a brief report covering the details of the Cheque Register for Aug. 2021. Her written report noted, "All payments have been made and the appropriate accounts charged against the 2021 budgeted amounts as necessary." The committee received the report as information without question or discussion. The payroll register was likewise received as information without question.

IT status report

The CAO/Clerk introduced the next item on the agenda by noting that Director of Information Technology Michael March was in training that day. Rutter presented the report on his behalf.

The background to March's written report stated, "The IT Department report is a monthly submission providing Committee chair and members with metrics pertaining to IT including: the status of user generated Help Desk requests; the ongoing status of IT projects; the results of the previous month's security phishing tests; and performance indicators for the key services at the County and Municipal Administrative offices."

The full report which includes graphs and statistics on the number of help desk inquiries as well as details on security threats and other information is available as part of the council agenda package through the county's website.

The tourism report included a recommendation that the Haliburton County Committee of the Whole recommend to Haliburton County Council that staff enter into an agreement for the creation and sales of the 2022 Explore #MyHaliburtonHighlands tourism publication; and that this project be at no cost to the County of Haliburton.

There were no reports under planning and environment nor under personnel. Council then proceeded to a closed session with Warden Danielson noting that that the meeting, which was about 19 minutes long, was completed in almost record time.


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Everyone knew him as Joe

Inductee was an athlete, builder and lover of community

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

Haliburton Highlands Hall of Fame inductee Joe Iles has been gone now since 2011, but he will never be forgotten for how he wowed a record number of Haliburton Huskies fans as a teenager with a game-winning over-time goal (his third in the game) to win the Porter Cup in Haliburton in 1945, or how he was instrumental in mentoring and shaping young minds as a hockey coach, or how he helped to be among the builders and pillars of this community with his involvement as a businessman, firefighter, presidents of the minor hockey association and curling club and work with the Rotary Club. He is the epitome of hard work, commitment and represents what is possible when one cares for others to be their best.

Fellow Hall of Fame inductee Lenny Salvatori, 92, said he was there when the Huskies won the Porter Cup in 1945.

"He was THE defenceman. There was nobody else that was as good as Joe as a defenceman. They were good, but not Joe's quality," he said of the inductee entering as a player.

Salvatori remembers seeing Joe regularly break up offensive rushes with his long reach of his stick and understanding of angles to cover opponents looking to score. Conversely, Joe often carried the puck up the ice, using his long strides to gain the offensive zone. He wasn't necessarily a big hitter and didn't have a booming slapshot, but his wrist shot was pre-



Above, a photo of Jean and Joe Iles in 1955. Submitted by Doreen Rae.

Left, a young Joe Iles, who would not only be a star and backbone of the defensive corps on the ice for the Haliburton Huskies for more than a decade, but would become a pillar of the community, establishing Haliburton's beginnings benefiting future generations. Submitted by Jean Iles

cise and he had scored many goals from the blueline. At a little more than six-foot tall, Joe was a solid defenceman. He needed to be. Salvatori said Joe would play close to 60 minutes a game for the Huskies. He led the team to three Ontario Rural Hockey Association Finals in the late-1940s and he finished with a Husk-

ies' career that spanned from 1942 to 1955 as a player and, starting at 20. Two years after the Porter Cup game he was a member of the 1947 OHA junior all-star team that played in Maple Leaf Gardens – an athletic highlight. Although hockey was his game, Joe also played fastpitch, golfed and curled, winning numerous trophies

and team and individual titles.

Salvatori and Joe were long time friends, who worked together at Curry Motors for 45 years. Salvatori was the body shop manager and Joe was the sales manager. They didn't always agree

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It was always about the people

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on things discussed, but respected each other, so their friendship endured and wasn't undone by their stubbornness.

As far as how he thinks his friend would regard the induction?

"It might be good and it might be bad. I don't know, but that's the kind of person he was," he said. "He had a strong mind and he could tell you what he thought about everything. We had several arguments about that. We got along all those years, working together," he said.

Iles was born Donald Beverly Iles in Haliburton on May 14, 1927, but everyone knew him as Joe.

He was the eldest son in a family with four younger sisters. His love of family and friends is well known.

His youngest sister Doreen Rae has a large collection of old photos, including some with her brother, whom she calls the "perfect brother."

She remembers taking the train, which used to come into town, to see her brother to play away games.

Her eyes light up, thinking about being an adolescent and needing figure skates for the sport she still loves. One Christmas she remembers how Joe bought and hid a pair of skates behind the washing machine before presenting them to her as a surprise.

The caring heart and gregarious nature was hard to ignore.

His wife Jean of 55 years, who turns 89 later this month, met Joe after she moved to the area in her senior year of high school because of her dad's work with hydro. She still remembers seeing her future husband pull up to her in his car.

"I was on my way to school and this

brand new, beautiful Chev pulled up. He said, 'Do you want a ride to school? And it was, Joe. He just seemed to see a new person in town, I guess,' she said.

The famous Golden Slipper dance hall was where the two would dance the night away together, fueling the romance between the two and the courtship would lead the two to get married and have three children, Joe Iles Jr, Mike and Pam.

She explains she only knew him as Joe.

How he got the name, she said, is a simple story that dates back to when he was a young child and how a family member that lived near to him would give him the name. It stuck.

Jean said her husband's love of the outdoors was rivalled by all the people he cared for and in many instances the two went hand-in-hand.

"When our kids were about 10-years-old he came home one day and said, 'We're going to have a quick lunch and we're going to go up to Haliburton Forest and I think on the way there is a cottage we'd like to look at and might buy.' Well, when we got up there we sailed right by the cottage and we ended up in Haliburton Forest," she said. "He knew there was a trailer for sale in there and so we just went right to it. We opened the door to see what was inside and it was freshly cleaned and waxed. I thought I'm sold already. And the kids went like little chipmunks all over the place, and it was steep walk down to the lake. That was where our life was pretty much up there."

She adds they spent about 40 years of their lives there on and, if they weren't spending weekends up there during the spring, summer and autumn, they were travelling in and out of the country, which included trips to the Yukon where

their son Joe Iles Jr. lives now.

His son Mike said his dad would have been honoured, but humbled and likely would have deflected the praise and his experience being worth crediting.

Life for his dad was about sharing experiences.

When Mike was close to 10-years-old he remembers how they would leave the United Church on Pine Street in Haliburton and go to the Haliburton Golf Course (now the Haliburton Highlands Golf Course) for golf.

"Sundays after we had gone to church we would all – my brother and I, and father – would go golfing, so he instilled in sports and the love of sport at a very young age," he said.

He said those experiences stand out for him because of the time together and how he saw his dad in his element.

"It was dad through and through. That's what he loved. He loved the people and the experience and the golf itself was the camaraderie, the jokes, the laughs and the teasing. It was very special for me as a child to be a part of that," he said.

Mike adds his dad always wanted to make a connection with anybody he met.

Jean laments how there aren't many relatively new people in the area who know her or her husband's efforts and achievements.

She believes in the Hall of Fame, which was led by Scotty LaRue, can help to tell her husband's story that included a commitment to the community because it needed to be done.

"A lot of towns are proud of the people that lived there and the things they've done. Joe seemed to have a natural ability. He sort of came forward at times when others wouldn't being a little shier ... he

was interested and liked everybody. He was just ready to take on the responsibility of being president, or whatever they wanted him to do, you know," she said.

Joe didn't finish high school and wasn't in school long before he started working. He never stopped learning though. Taking his drive, affable nature and commitment to the community with him wherever he worked or volunteered.

He was part of the fabric of the community in a multitude of ways.

Too young to join the military at 14 for the Second World War, he served as a member of the reserve army from 1940 to 1945. He was a businessman with Curry Motors, starting pumping gas and became sales manager and president, coach of minor hockey teams, president of the Haliburton Minor Hockey Association – even help start the Glen Dart Hockey, president of the Haliburton Curling Club, serving more than 40 years with the Haliburton Fire Department from 1946 to 1989, including as fire chief from 1970 to 1973; serving on the executive of minor hockey, or holding a position as president of the Rotary Club in Haliburton from 1964 to 1965 and was among the key figures behind bringing the arena with artificial ice. His special awards, distinctions and citations include being named Rotarian of the Year in 1971, 125th Anniversary Medal of the Confederation of Canada Service to the community.

For all of his service, he still made time to golf, curl, fish, snowmobile and hunt.

His wife said these pursuits were as much about the activity as it was about the people that he did them with.

"And he treasured everyone of them," she said.

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Forever in our memories: Creighton Feir

The harvest is rich, but the labourers are few

I love business; any industry, any sector, any issue. I could listen for hours to business owners talk about the topics that are important to them and frequently do.

During my years as a corporate trainer in the forestry industry, much of my time was spent listening to executives articulate complex problems through which they had to navigate. Their view was from the top down and their perspective was long-range. They knew that ultimately the vision they set would be executed by managers.

The managers in turn knew that they were dependent on the frontline supervisors to make things happen. The front-line supervisors knew they were dependent on their crews and that a single person could make or break a shift. If someone did not show up for work, or if a key position could not be filled, production could be slowed or even halted altogether.

Just before I was hired, the company decided to invest a significant sum of money in training and development. I got to decide how they spent much of it and my mandate was to create a culture of learning.

During my interview for that position, I asked what my job description was. The HR manager shoved a blank piece of paper across the boardroom table and said, "Here's the job description. You tell us." I've had some pretty amazing work experiences, but that job was one of my favourites. It taught me that the person with a plan, who is willing to take responsibility for it, can have a pretty incredible life and can develop their dream job.

That job also gave me insight into the value of problem solving and offered exposure to many formal strategies for tackling complex issues.

We have a problem that exists in many communities, especially rural ones. There is a severe labour shortage in some industries and many businesses are suffering as a result. Along with them, many of their workers are also bearing the brunt of the problem.

Fortunately, every problem can be viewed as an opportunity. If you are an ambitious worker with goals and a vision, you can blaze a trail in many industries that are eager to train you for the positions they have open. Many of these positions are well-paid jobs with benefits and opportunities for advancement.

If you haven't come across these jobs, you are using the wrong search terms. Broaden your scope. Don't just look for the job you want, look for the companies who need you. There are many. If you are a retired person who could use some extra income and still have a desire to contribute the community there are businesses that will hire you.

For business owners in industries with a labour shortage, now might be a good time to take a serious look at why the problem exists for you. The problem might have little to do with your business and a lot to do with other issues like availability of housing or transportation. There are very few problems that cannot be solved with enough innovation, even when those problems at first appear to be outside of your control.

If you are a business owner suffering from the labour shortage, I would love to hear about your situation. You can contact me at katrina@haliburtonpress.com or submit a letter to the editor. There is a solution to the labour shortage. Just because we haven't found it yet, does not mean it does not exist. Let's tackle this one together.



katrina boguski

Editorial



Irondale River shines

by Darren Lum

letters to the editor

Change required so that every vote counts

To the Editor,

Re: *What's the use* - September 1

I agree with Jim Poling that "declining voter turnout is a blaring warning horn to governments." What it should tell us all is the our current way of voting, First Past The Post, where parties can secure a majority of the seats and 100% of the power while getting less than 40% of the votes, needs to be replaced. If we had Proportional Representation, where the percentage of the seats that a party gets equals the percentage of the votes that the party receives, we wouldn't be having this needless election. Under Proportional Representation, it is highly unlikely that any one party would get more than 50% of the votes needed to get a majority of the seats in parliament. Parties would be required to work together in a minority government and more points of view would be taken into account when making policy. Many people have stopped voting because they do not think that their vote counts. We need Proportional Representation so that everyone's vote counts.

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Sadly, the report this time has to do with the passing of residents of this area. Brad Abbs, son of Brian and Iris Abbs, died in Haliburton Hospital. Many are the Harrisons who will be missing his cheery presence on the main street in town and (presumably) at family gatherings to whom the community offers condolences.

Another frequent visitor to the area, Helen Jesseman, passed away at Extendicare on Sept. 4. Her husband, Ed, has predeceased her. They were close friends for years of Jack and Carrie Morrison and

the relationship continued into Perry and Kay Morrison's lives and neighborhood when they were here from their home in Keene, Ont. Their daughter, Susan, or Liz as she became known, was a real trooper in snowmobile rallies in the cause of fundraising for breast cancer. Earl and I had attended Ed and Helen's 50th wedding anniversary and Liz's uncle and Earl piped for the occasion.

What would life be without the relief and lift of music? That was Bill Gliddon's gift for us on Sunday evening as he and Jack Brezina reminisced about the high school production of *Pirates of Penzance* while the original English cast recording in Broadway was played in all its lively charm.

When June and I heard an informal rehearsal of a few band members playing 'Highland Cathedral', one of the tunes Earl liked to play on the bagpipes.

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points of view

Making scents of it all

“ROSIE HAS my shoe again,” Jenn said. Sure enough, I looked up from my book and saw my little springer spaniel sitting on her dog bed nuzzling a bit too affectionately with one of Jenn’s shoes – this time a sensible gray, suede, low-heeled ballerina flat. Minutes before that it was one of her slippers, then one of her Blundstones, and finally the expensive running shoes she only wears when we are going to a place where running is expressly forbidden. The scissor store immediately comes to mind.

Jenn pointed to the dog and said, “This is really starting to bother me.”

“Me too,” I answered. Then I took the shoe away from Rosie and put it back on the shoe rack where it belonged.

On the way back, I looked at Rosie and whispered, “What’s wrong with my foot odour?”

“Did you say something?” Jenn asked.

“No,” I replied.

I didn’t want things to get weird.

Then after a few minutes, I broached the subject in a mature and sophisticated manner.

“What’s with your foot odour?” I said.

“What do you mean?” she asked.

“Let’s be honest with each other.

Rosie clearly prefers your shoes and socks,” I said. “What are you doing that makes them so special to her? I mean, as far as I can ascertain, neither they nor your feet harbour the kind of odour that should attract a dog. No offence.”

“What are you talking about?” she said.

“My dog can’t get enough of your shoes and socks. That’s what I’m talking about!” I said. “And, to make matters worse, she isn’t attracted to my shoes or socks in the



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least.”

“That’s a problem?” she said.

“Yes,” I said. “At first, I told myself that Rosie and your foot odour had a purely platonic relationship. But I’m not blind. I see the way she looks at your Crocs! I see how she sniffs your socks as you walk by! Are you rubbing your feet with bacon bits? Is that what you are doing?”

It was a difficult but reasonable question. Yet Jenn told me that she would not dignify it with an answer.

So, I took that as I yes.

She then shook her head and walked over to the shoe rack. Once there, she picked up one of my most well-worn running shoes and took it to Rosie, who promptly sniffed it.

“See?” Jenn said. “The dog doesn’t care whose shoes she sme...”

But before she finished the sentence, Rosie had taken the shoe back to the rack and returned with another of Jenn’s shoes.

“OK, for some reason, Rosie and her sensitive nose just prefer my shoes,” Jenn said. “It means nothing.”

What Jenn was forgetting is that dogs like Rosie make their living by using their incredible noses, sometimes by smelling dangerous things, such as explosives, gas leaks and, yes, foot odour. Furthermore, they can detect an interesting smell from great distances, if the wind and scenting conditions are right. Most importantly, they are connoisseurs. A good smell brings them great joy. And, like people, they can and sometimes do fall in love with the things that bring them the greatest joy.

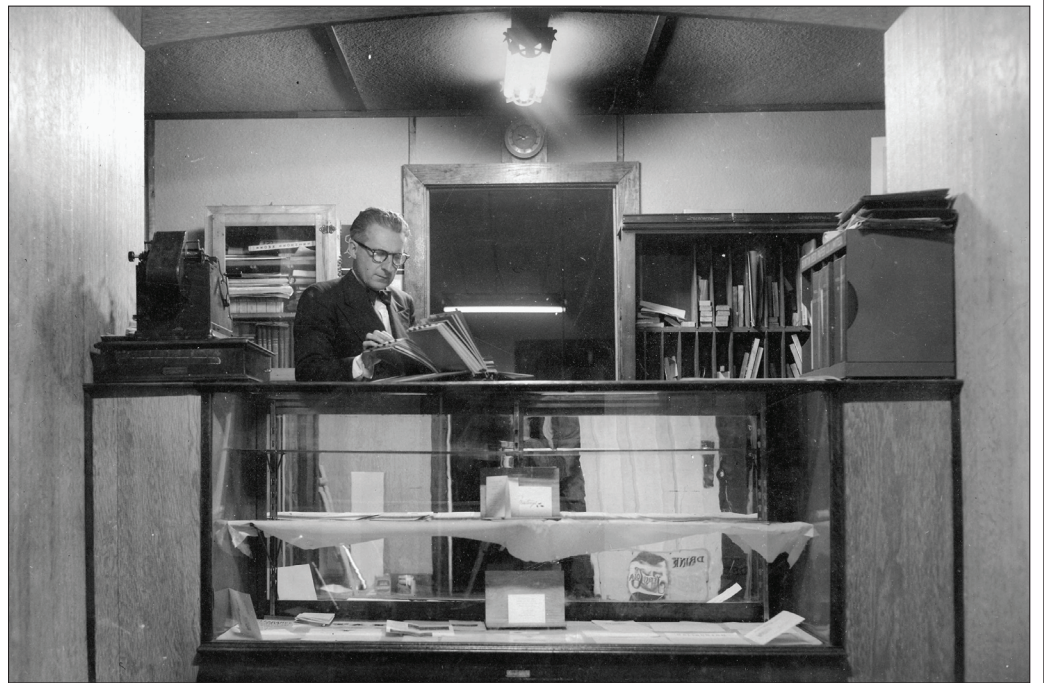
As much as I wanted to deny it, I was in danger of losing the dog I love to Jenn’s shoes and socks. Something had to be done about it.

Naturally, I promised myself I would maintain the dignity that I am known for, and not overreact by doing something stupid like writing a column about it – which turned out to be an impossible promise to keep.

So, instead I decided I would subtly influence Rosie and show her that foot odour can be fleeting– and that true love lasts longer.

Which is another way of saying that I dropped a few liver treats in my shoes and poured pepper in Jenn’s.

I haven’t seen any results yet. But the game is certainly a foot.



pic of the past

In the early 1950s, a series of photos were taken behind the scenes @HaliburtonEcho. This one shows Berkeley Feir, one of the owners at the time, at the front desk of the newspaper’s offices. Berkeley and his son, Creighton, were key members of the Echo team for decades.

letters to the editor

Hall of Famer inspires with his guiding principles

To the Editor,

Re: Hall of Fame

I read and re-read the interview article on Taly Williams.

He is I submit a Hall of Famer in any category. His outlook on life and the contribution to humanity and the world, that we can all strive to do, is commendable.

To paraphrase John Wesley-do all you can,

for as many as you can, for as long as you can.

His statements as to where and how he was taught the principles of life that guide him are not just refreshing and reassuring but are the essentials of human progress in this ever changing world. We alone can do so much knowing we are never alone.

David M. Bishop
Haliburton

Candidates reply to Con-cerned Citizens of Haliburton County

To the Editor,

Shortly after the 2021 election was called, Concerned Citizens of Haliburton County (CCHC) asked all six candidates questions about basic income, child care, climate change, electoral reform, long-term care and taxation policy.

CCHC has now received replies from 4 candidates. These replies can be found at the CCHC Facebook page or by request to info@concerned-citizens.ca. The answers are worth exploring.

The week of Sept. 20th is Basic Income Week.

The Green and NDP candidates support a basic income while the Libertarian candidate is not convinced that a basic income is a viable solution. The Progressive Conservatives do not support a Basic Income but propose some alternative measures designed to increase affordability. You can find much more detail in our EleXion Files on our Facebook page.

Greg J. Roe
Concerned Citizens of Haliburton County

Reader proposes name change

To the Editor,

Where have all the flowers gone?

David Crombie, Joe Clark, Flora MacDonald, Dalton Camp-Replaced with Doug Ford, Jason Kenney, Maxine Bernier.

It’s time the Conservative party had another name change to “The Republican Party of Can-

ada”.

Their “trickle down theory” works for a limited group because they have a plug in the sink. That stops the trickle. Uncontrolled profit (offshore) is greed.

Fred Phipps
Haliburton



Smiles for miles

A runner in the 50 kilometre race smiles while taking the first turn to East Road from the start and finish straight at the Haliburton Forest Trail Race on Saturday, Sept. 11 close to Kennesis Lake. Organizers said the event was record breaking with its 500 runners, who competed in five distances: 12 kilometres, 26 kilometres, 50 kilometres, 50 miles and the signature distance event 100 miles, which included runners that ran the distance through the night.
/DARREN LUM Staff



Early race leaders of the 26 kilometre race charge up an incline



Racers walk up a steep and steady incline during the 50 kilometre race at the Haliburton Forest Trail Race.



Racers before their 50 kilometre race listen to directions about their route at the start/finish area.



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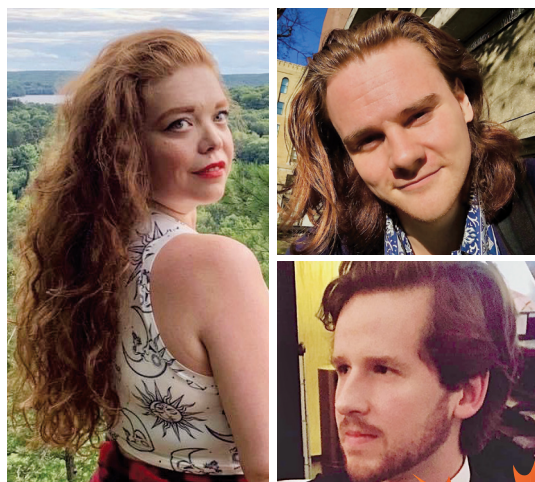
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Hello Huskies!

Above, the Haiburton County Huskies player affiliate and past Red Hawks player Braeden Robinson, from left, makes a move to evade defender Will Gourgouvelis during the Blue vs. White intersquad game this past Saturday, Sept. 11 at the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena in Minden. This was the first game held at the new S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena in Minden. The team's pre-season continues with a home game against the Aurora Tigers at 4:30 p.m. on Saturday Sept. 18 and then against the Collingwood Blues a week later at 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 25. The team's home opener is against the Lindsay Muskies at 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 2. All home games are at the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena in Minden./DARREN LUM Staff

Left, the Haiburton County Huskies player Bryce Richardson dives, scoring a goal on goalie, Nicholas Heinzle.



The Haiburton County Huskies Blue player shields off a White defender.

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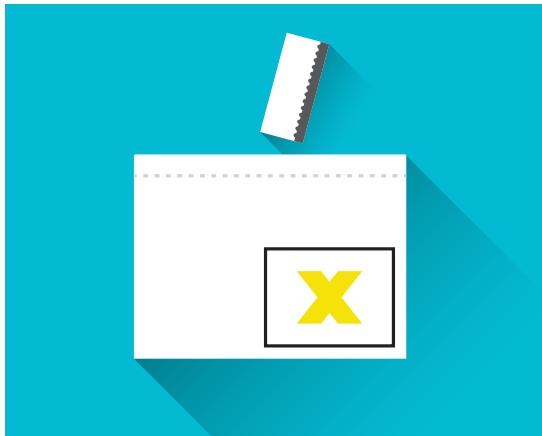






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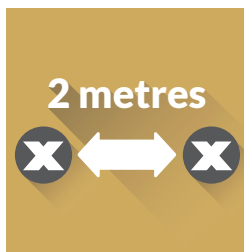
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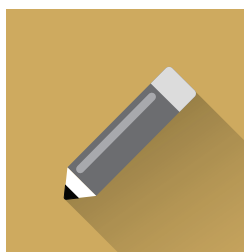


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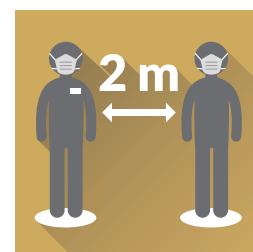
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Highlands connection to Cubs provincial championship

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

The Kawartha Cubs under-13 baseball team realized a five-year dream to be the best in the province, beating the Tillsonburg Otters for the Ontario Baseball Association (OBA) championship title.

It was an arduous journey of challenge, disappointment and retribution for the Lindsay-based team, which included a roster and coaching staff with Highlands roots from the very top with head coach Darryl Winder, assistant coach Jamie Johnston, and players Bracken Johnston, Chase Winder and Parker Simms, who were all in their final year of eligibility for the under-13 team.

The Cubs, who were fundamentally sound, possessing all the attributes of a great team with its speed, power and pitching depth, dominated their B classified teams with a 122 run differential (149 runs scored against allowing only 27) in the six-game playoff tournament held over three days earlier this month.

This year's win included an aspect of redemption.

Two years ago, the Cubs were handled easily by the Tillsonburg Otters, losing 9-2 in the OBA championship final. The Otters had also routed the Cubs in the first game of the playoffs that year 11-1.

Coaches Winder and Johnston couldn't have been prouder of the team, who not only showcased formidable skill on the diamond, but exemplified work ethic, competitive drive and the maturity to put the group's success ahead of any personal achievements.

This Highlands group and a few other players on the team from outside Hali-



The under-13 Kawartha Cubs baseball team had a strong Highlands connection with area residents from left, Jamie Johnston, Bracken Johnston, Parker Simms, Chase Winder and Darryl Winder. The Cubs finished this season by winning the OBA title, dominating the opposition with a 6-0 in the championship tournament. /DARREN LUM Staff

burton County have been together for five years to make the championship title a punctuation to the under-13 Cubs' narrative.

Winder said in the team's first year they finished as semi-finalists at the provincial championships and then in 2019 the team finished second to the Tillsonburg Otters, which served a bitter pill that wasn't forgotten when the two teams faced each other. Last year, the only thing that stopped the team from winning it all was the pandemic, Winder said.

The head coach said the common thread that bonded all his players, including the local boys was a shared drive to be the best.

"They're competitors. They play hockey together and tournaments. Most of the kids on my team except for two or three are multi-sport. They play different sports. There is a competitive [drive] in them," he said. "They know how to win and they know how to lose gracefully. They're athletes."

In other years, Winder said, the team

has played regular season games against A classified teams from centres such as Ajax, Oshawa and Whitby. The Cubs dominated these teams, so this year the Cubs were able to arrange to play their regular season game against AAA teams from the largest centres in Ontario.

"We went 5-5 as a B centre against these AAA teams. They said, 'We don't want to play a B centre.' Then all of a sudden it was 2-1 or we beat them 5-4 and they were like, 'Wooh.' That's why when we went back to [play in our] B championship group we dominated this year," he said.

At the end of the entire B championship playoffs, the Cubs finished undefeated through 10 games and the scores weren't even close, fulfilling five years of dedication to success and helped with the sense of a mission accomplished before everyone went on different paths.

"We knew this was our last year. We knew it was because everyone is going in different directions. It was very emotional. These are my kids. I had them for five years. I had the help of Jamie. We've had the same coaching staff basically all the way through, watching these kids grow," he said.

Although Highlands East resident Ty Rupnow played on the team during the regular season, he had to leave the team to play competitive hockey and did not compete in the playoffs.

Coach Winder added the roster included players over six-feet-tall, which is much taller than any of the players from the Highlands, but they all shared an equal enthusiasm for the game and a drive to win.

The team's catcher, Parker Simms of
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Cubs blow everyone out of the water

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Blairhampton said there was a comfort level and familiarity with being together for five years that enabled the Cubs to compete with larger AAA centres.

"In the regular season we were playing AAA teams ... much better, but we were still keeping up with them, but I think we practiced for it," he said.

Simms said his highlight of the season was winning it all after playing together for five years. He hopes to play for the AAA Peterborough Tigers next season.

From West Guilford, Cubs centre-fielder, as well as catcher, Bracken Johnston, 12, concurred with his teammate from Blairhampton about the satisfaction of winning the provincial title.

"It was a hard struggle because we came second two years ago and it was hard. Then this year we just let it all out and we tried our best and I was so happy to win it finally," he said.

Left fielder Chase Winder, 12, of Haliburton said there was a sense of retribution taking the provincial B title from the Tillsonburg Otters, who routed the Cubs in 2019.

"It motivated me because I don't like losing. It felt better to beat the team that beat us before than a team we hadn't played before," he said.

Next spring the team is hoping to present medals and championship rings, which will be funded by the team, to the players after the league was unable to provide them like other years due to lower registration and less funds to budget for them, Winder said.

Assistant coach Jamie Johnston said it was how the team got along that also contributed to the team's success.

"It was great to see the culmination of the five years as he said. That was the biggest thing. The pitching and the defence has always been good. Their hitting was bar none the best there [at the playoffs]. I've never seen them hit like that before. It was amazing to see. It was not just the hitting open holes it was how hard they were hitting. They were crushing everything. It was crazy. The biggest thing was you work so hard and then go to a tournament like that and you think it's going to be close and then we just literally blew everyone out of the water," he said. "It was awesome just to show how far ahead the kids were and how hard they worked. It was wicked. Just to see the looks on their faces when it was the end of the game. Just the relief because two years ago when we played and losing in the final hurt them pretty good. We were able to get back at those same teams."

At the smaller end among the rostered players, Chase is close to a full foot shorter than the tallest players on the team. That hasn't let that stop him, employing his exemplary speed on the basepaths when the team needed it.

It was representative of the entire team, who thought of the group's success more than any individual achievement said Johnston.

He said this was the most rewarding aspect.

"You had some kids that weren't playing much, but they would get in there and pinch run. No complaining no nothing. Just get in there and do their job and then cheer on the team type of thing. The whole team concept was massive. The amount of character those kids had was just crazy," he said.



There were close to two dozen people, who marched and stood on Highland Street where they hoped to raise the public's awareness about climate change during the Canada is Still on Fire protest on Wednesday, Sept. 8 in Haliburton. Local groups Environment Haliburton and the Concerned Citizens of Haliburton County organized the protest. /DARREN LUM Staff

Protest calls for action on climate change

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

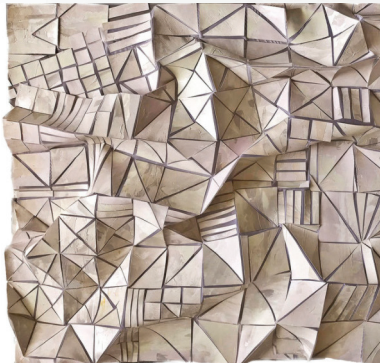
Blaring car horns and shouts of support echoed across County Road 21 in response to a group of close to two dozen protesters, who lined the road and held signs and banners, hoping to raise awareness about the dangers facing the earth related to climate change with its Canada is Still on Fire Day of Action protest.

Haliburton was one of close to 60 protests, which was held from 12 to 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 8 across the country, as part of a coordinated day by 350.org, a global climate movement that is named after the safe concentration of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere of 350 parts per million.

Organized locally by Environment Haliburton (EH) and Concerned Citizens of Haliburton County (CCHA), the Haliburton protest started in Head Lake Park

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Protestors keeping climate change top of mind

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and included a march down the walking path to a spot a few hundred metres from the downtown.

CCHA coalition chairperson and event co-organizer Bonnie Roe said this protest was about bringing people together and keeping climate change top of mind for party representatives during the election.

"We're all meeting at the same time to put out a strong message that we our leaders, our upcoming leaders and those that are running for election to make climate crisis a No. 1 issue," she said.

She adds this day of action protest followed the Canada is on Fire protest held earlier in the year and the "Still" added was to emphasize the pressing urgency that time is running out to do something about climate change.

Evidence of related climate change issues includes rising sea levels, diminishing ice levels, the past wildfires in Canada, Australia and the United States.



"We're running out of time. The main issue too is getting our politicians to listen and to act because they're not acting. There is a lot of rhetoric, but there is not a lot of action and we're running out of time. Things seem to be increasing," she said.

Organizers of the protest invited all the political representatives for the riding to attend the protest.

Roe said New Democrat Party candidate Zac Miller accepted, but could not make it, Libertarian Party of Canada candidate Gene Balfour refused to appear based on an objection to the premise of the protest, calling the "event's announcement post was

excessively alarmist," Liberal candidate Judi Forbes attended, Haliburton – Kawartha Lakes – Brock incumbent and Conservative candidate Jamie Schmale and People Party of Canada candidate Alison Davidson did not attend, the Green party's candidate Angel Godsoe could not attend because she was involved

Protestors march along the walking path from Head Lake Park to take a literal and figurative stand to raise awareness about climate change during the Canada is Still on Fire protest on Wednesday, Sept. 8 in Haliburton. Local groups Environment Haliburton and the Concerned Citizens of Haliburton County organized the protest. /DARREN LUM Staff

in a car accident, but did have the party's riding electoral district association membership and volunteer chairperson Tom Regina speak on her behalf.

Regina said the Green Party has had an environmental policy since its inception and were derided by the other parties at the time as "tree hugging hippies."

Now all the parties have followed their lead.

Coming out to the protest was a priority for Godsoe "to show how important the environment is. With no environment, there is no business," Regina said.

He added that Godsoe has spent her life working as a farmer, so highly values the environment with an ongoing relationship with nature.

Forbes acknowledged the global threat that climate change poses and said the Liberal party platform is the best when compared to the others.

"For every person that's here there's probably a 100 back home, thinking, yeah, we need to do something about climate change and, you know what, the Liberal party is the only party with a costed, vetted plan to meet our 2030 Paris [Agreement] goals."

When asked about specifics about actions to mitigate climate change, she referenced the efforts to plant two billion trees and a plan to preserve large lake and river systems.

She noted, "That doesn't mean smaller systems will not get the attention that they deserve. And there are land trust programs where people can actually leave their land to the government to preserve forever."

EH director Carolyn Coburn said this protest does more than just raise awareness with the public, it was an opportunity to get the attention of the riding's representatives in the lead up to the federal election. She wants these representatives to stand up for climate change.

"Press their respective parties to take climate change seriously and press their parties to have policies that look at the reality," she said.

Currently, she said the world is facing a challenge and it's time to address it.

In reference to the safe concentration of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere, she said the current parts per million measurement is at its highest at more than 400.

The ever-increasing number, she said, is related to the burning of fossil fuels and human activities.

She appreciated the appearance of Forbes, but wondered if incumbent Jamie Schmale would ever attend. The timing of the protest, she said, works well with the coming election and can only help the cause.

"Every little bit helps. Maybe there will be somebody driving by, who has influence in their local riding association and will say at their next meeting, maybe we should pay a bit more attention," she said.

INSPECTION

Inspection of 2021 – 2022 Annual Work Schedule for Bancroft-Minden Forest

The **October 1, 2021 – March 31, 2022** Annual Work Schedule (AWS) for the **Bancroft-Minden Forest** is available electronically for public viewing by contacting the **Bancroft Minden Forest Company (BMFC)**, during normal business hours and on the Natural Resources Information Portal at <https://nrip.mnr.gov.on.ca/s/fmp-online> beginning **September 15, 2021** and for the remainder of the one-year duration of the AWS.

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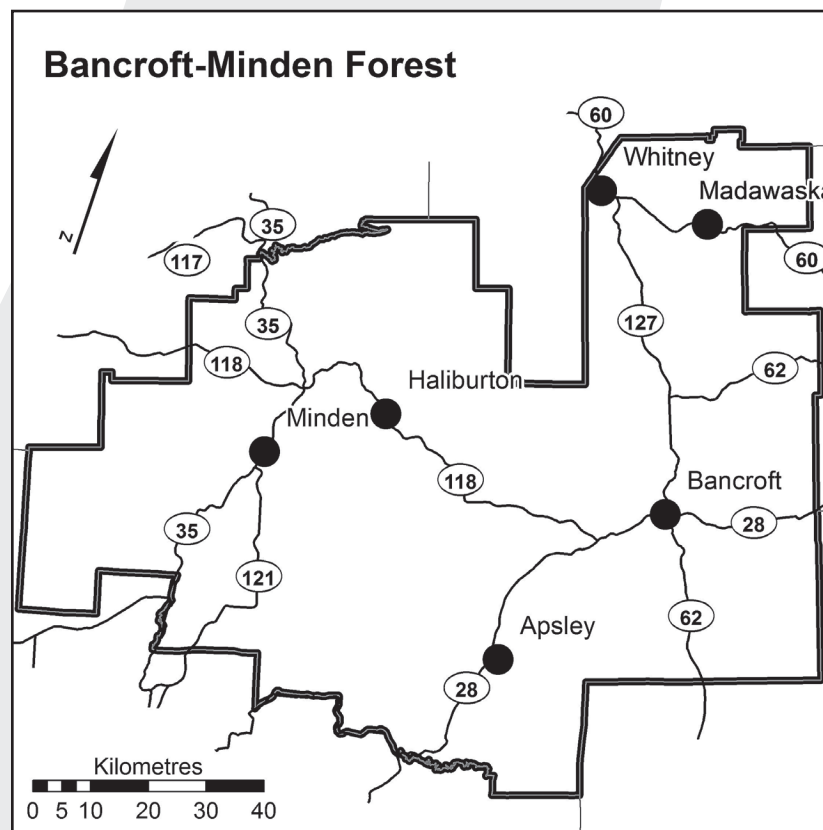
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Lt Gull Lake \$550,000

- Close to Minden
- 4 bedrooms, 2 baths
- Selling "as is", needs work
- 900 sq. ft barn



Gloria Carnochan* & Breen Budel*
754-1932

Home & Commercial \$599,000

- Hwy35 & CR8 Fenlon Falls, access off CR8
- Newly Reno, 2 bdrm Home, 2 Bay Garage
- 1.85 ac, surrounded by trees, close to water
- BONUS Commercial zoning, inquire for use



Mark Denny*
457-0473

HALIBURTON COMMERCIAL LEASE

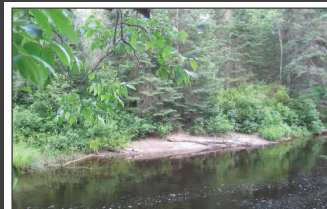
- Prime Downtown Retail Space Opportunity
- Apprx 2100 Sq Ft, Large Display Windows
- Busy Corner of Highland St & Maple Ave
- Contact Listing Realtor for Details



Tom Ecclestone*
286-2138 x 226

Miners Bay Gull Lake Executive

- 2800 feet of living space
- 4 bedrooms, 3 full bathrooms
- South Exposure, Sand Beach
- Perfect property for entertaining



Lindsay Elder**
457-5878

Gooderham \$199,000

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- 2 lots-in-one, with year-round access.



Melanie Hevesi**
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Andrew Hodgson**
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Kashagawigamog Lake \$999,000

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- 235 feet of western waterfront exposure
- 3 bedroom, 2 bath cottage + 2 bunkies
- On Haliburton's premium 5-lake chain



Susanne James* & Andy Mosher**
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Miskwabi Lake Sunsets!

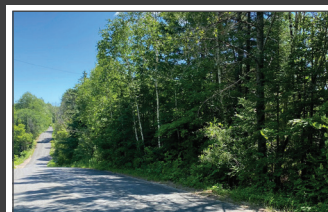
- 4-season cottage on awesome 2-lake chain
- 3 bedrooms plus den
- Clean deep shoreline, West exposure



David Lee*
286-2138 x 227

Gull River Minden \$749,000

- 200 Ft waterfront, 1.29 Acres
- 3 bdrm, 2bath, 1225 sf
- Modern, open-concept, 4 season
- Large deck, gazebo, boat to town



Donna McCallum*
455-2054

Ursa Road \$250,000

- 43 acre hide-away, paved yr round road
- Hydro at lot line
- Close to Glamor & Billings Lakes
- ATV & snowmobile trails



Brandon Nimigon***
457-2128 x 127

Harburn Rd \$ 1,050,000

- 17 vacant lots over 47acres
- 1.91 acres to 4.92 acres
- Registered Plan of Subdivision
- Close to town



Karen Nimigon**
457-6505

5 Lake Chain \$1,950,000

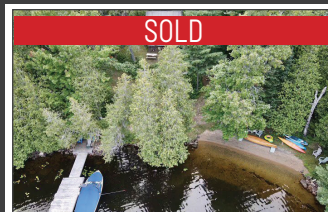
- 203ft hard sand shoreline, west exposure
- 4 bdrms, 3 baths, main flr office, media rm
- Open concept, hardwood flrs, cathedral ceiling
- Finished lower level w/guest suite



Kelly Kay*
705-457-8841
Kirsten Rae*
705-854-1454

Listed at \$299,000

- 3 season off-grid cottage on the Drag River
- 3 bed and 1 bath on 1.3 acre lot
- immaculately maintained and only minutes to Minden!



Darlene Reil*
447-2055

Gooderham Lake \$599,000

- Decorated in pine
- 3 bedroom cottage with Bunkie
- Beautiful sand beach



Christine Sharp*
705-489-9968

Brand New Build \$619,000

- 3 Bed / 2 bath
- Close to Kushog boat launch



Greg Stamp*
457-2128 x 128

Country home \$699,000

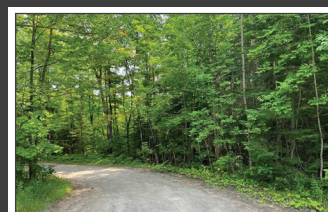
- Updated private home sitting on 7 acres
- Open concept, 4 bedrooms, 2 bath
- Full basement to finish to your preference
- Beautiful setting with trails throughout



Melanie Vigrass*
286-2138 x 232

Minden Bungalow

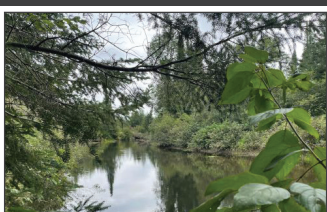
- 3 bdrm/2 bath Home Just North of Town
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- Walk-Out Lower Level Rec Room
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High flow, no go

A recreational paddler drives through the water of the Gull River on Sept. 11 at the Minden Whitewater Preserve in Minden. Due to the high water levels, the 40th annual Gull River Open Canoe Slalom Race scheduled for Sept. 11 and 12 was cancelled. /DARREN LUM Staff

Household Hazardous Waste Day

 **Saturday, September 18, 2021**
9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
West Guilford Landfill, 11903 Hwy 118, West Guilford

Valid Dysart landfill identification user cards must be shown at the gate.

To comply with COVID-19 safety protocols, please remain inside your vehicle at the hazardous waste drop off location. Please wear a face mask. Event staff will unload your hazardous waste for you.

Accepted

 Aerosol cans, solvents (varsol, paint thinners, etc.)	 Automotive fluids	 Auto batteries	 Cleaners (bleach, oven cleaner, etc.)	 Finishing products (varnish, glue, etc.)
 Fluorescent and CFL light bulbs	 Gasoline (containers <u>not</u> returned)	 Household batteries	 Paint (latex and oil)	 Pesticides, herbicides, insecticides
 Propane cylinders	 Propane tanks	 Pool chemicals	 Motor oil (must be capped)	

Not accepted

• Needles, Syringes, Lancets (Sharps) • PCBs • Radioactives • Pathological waste
Due to provincial regulations, these events are for **Dysart residents only**. **Hazardous waste is NOT accepted from businesses and organizations**, including builders, camps, charities, contractors, painting companies, places of worship, restaurants, retailers, schools, etc. **Businesses and organizations need to arrange private haulage and processing of hazardous waste.**

 This is Dysart's third and last Household Hazardous Waste Day in 2021. Dysart's next House Hazardous Waste Day will take place in 2022.

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Fishery in Need of Help

The Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association (HHOA) Kashagawigamog Chain Fishing Survey results are in. To date, 138 people have responded. 83 per cent of people responding live on the chain and the remaining 17 per cent have experience fishing it. The survey results can be viewed at the HHOA website: <https://www.hhoa.on.ca>

In general, respondents feel fishing has declined throughout the chain. 33 per cent report fishing as being poor (where have the fish gone?) and 38 per cent report it as being fair (I catch some fish, but it's usually pretty hard going). The remaining 28 per cent say fishing is good (I can usually find fish).

Decline in Walleye Fishing

Of those responding, 82 per cent cite a decline in Walleye fishing on the chain. Discontinuation of stocking and degradation of spawning grounds are cited as the main reasons for the decline.

"We have heard from many anglers that the Walleye fishing in the Kash Chain has declined significantly," said Dan Smith HHOA President. "We plan to work with the MNRF to do all we can to improve the fishery. In April of this year we reinstated the Walleye Watch Program and we are cleaning the spawning bed below the Emmerson Dam this September."

The HHOA is also considering a study to determine if Lake Trout are naturally reproducing in the chain. If Lake Trout are not reproducing, it may be possible to reinstate Walleye stocking. The chain was stocked with Walleye raised from eggs taken from the Drag River spawning site for many years. Walleye stocking stopped in 2015.

Other findings include:

- 51 per cent of people fish for sport

and keep only the odd fish

- 43 per cent release all fish
- Smallmouth Bass offers the best fishing
- Lake Trout and Walleye provide the worst fishing
- 44 per cent do all of their fishing during the open water season
- 25 per cent report doing both open water and ice fishing
- Low fish populations is considered the major factor affecting fishing
- Respondents also shared numerous comments on the survey. Some consistent concerns include:

- Too much shoreline development
- Too much big boat traffic
- Fishing tournaments taking bass from lakes and releasing them in other locations
- Need for better fishing regulations

The HHOA Kashagawigamog Chain Angling Survey is part of the HHOA's efforts to improve the Walleye fishery on the Kash Chain and fishing in general in the Haliburton Highlands. The HHOA's effort kicked off in April of 2021 with the reinstatement of the Walleye Watch Program fish count on the Drag River below the Dam in Haliburton. This September, HHOA volunteers will power wash sediment from the Walleye spawning bed below the 118 bridge over the Drag River in Haliburton. The HHOA plans to maintain these activities each year and pursue other options to enhance the Kashagawigamog Chain Walleye fishery for all Haliburton county residents and visitors. To join HHOA and help efforts to improve fishing and fish habitats please visit: <https://www.hhoa.on.ca>

Submitted by Kashagawigamog Chain Angling Survey Shows



COUNTY OF HALIBURTON NOTICE OF VIRTUAL OPEN HOUSE

BACKGROUND:

The County of Haliburton has many lakes that serve important environmental, economic and social roles. The health of our lakes is important for residents and businesses. The County of Haliburton has retained Hutchinson Environmental Sciences Ltd (HESL) and J.L. Richards & Associates Ltd. (JLR) to provide independent professional recommendations on a new Shoreline Preservation By-law for the County. This includes a review of the scientific literature related to shoreline preservation, an environmental scan of other municipalities and consultation to gauge residents and stakeholders opinion and feedback.

PURPOSE:

As part of the public consultation process, HESL and JLR are hosting a Virtual Open House to seek feedback on scientific literature review and options for the shoreline preservation by-law. Due to the present COVID-19 pandemic, a traditional "Open House" cannot be hosted at the Town Hall. The "Virtual" Open House will offer the same sort of viewing and commenting experience remotely.

DATE: Wednesday, September 29, 2021

PLACE: via Zoom

TIME: 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

HOW YOU CAN PARTICIPATE:

1. If you wish to speak at the open house, please register by contacting Stephen Stone, Director of Planning, County of Haliburton at ssstone@haliburtoncounty.ca
2. If you do not wish to speak at the open house, you can still view the live stream on the County of Haliburton YouTube Channel: https://youtu.be/80s_ETW9JCA
3. If you are not able to attend the meeting, you can watch a recording of the meeting on the County's YouTube Channel and submit your comments to the contacts listed below.

For more information on the matter, please contact:

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705-806-4422
jferrigan@jlrchards.ca

Gaurang Khandelwal, Planner, J.L. Richards and Associates Ltd.
226-770-3317
gkhandelwal@jlrchards.ca

Additional information can be found at <https://www.haliburtoncounty.ca/en/living-here/shoreline-preservation.aspx>

It is advised that this Open House will be video recorded and posted on the County's YouTube Channel. Personal information from those that make either an oral or written submission is collected under the authority of the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. M. 56, and will become part of the public record.

Wilberforce Fire Hall mural pays tribute to WWII soldier

GRACE OBORNE

Staff Reporter

Next time you're driving through Highlands East and end up in Wilberforce, make sure you stop to see the mural that is painted on the side of the Wilberforce fire hall.

The amazing talent behind the mural is Allen C. Hilgendorf. Hilgendorf was born and raised in rural Ontario and always drew the nature he saw around him. In the early 1990s, Hilgendorf was in a car accident and was forced to slow down his day-to-day lifestyle.

He decided to attend the School of Design and Visual Arts at the Owen Sound campus of Georgian College. There he spent time advancing his artistic skills. He ultimately made the Dean's List and won several awards for his work.

Since that time, Hilgendorf specialized in interior and exterior murals which is now loved and appreciated by many individuals, towns, and communities. Sadly, after a fearless struggle with cancer, Hilgendorf passed on Aug. 4, 2013. Many remember him today for his talent and kind soul.

In 1999, funds were raised so Hilgendorf could paint a mural on the fire hall. The Wilberforce Heritage Guild became a registered charity so they could give out receipts for selling off each brick on the side of the hall. Mary Barker, former owner of Agnew's General Store and now the postmaster of the Wilberforce post office, thought of this fantastic idea.

"Allen was out driving around the area one day, and I don't know whether he was scouting for murals or whether he was just on a tour, but he came in to the store and told my mother and I about how he had made art his life passion and how murals was how he made his living. Then my mother said to me that we needed a mural on the fire hall," recalls Barker.

"We asked Allen how much it would cost for him to paint a mural, and now I can't remember how much it was, but I drew up a chart with squares on it and sold each square for \$10. I have the sheet right here and it's got all the names of everybody that paid because they wrote their name on the square. That's how we raised the money," she added.

The mural is a tribute to the train station that once existed, the old rail road, and the soldiers that returned from the Second World War. The locals of Wilberforce and Hilgendorf decided to put emphasis on a specific soldier and his homecoming.

Reg Schofield was held in a prisoner of war camp near Hong Kong for four years until the war ended. After his arrival



The mural by Allen C. Hilgendorf commemorates the return of a Second World War veteran, Reg Schofield, and is found on the side of the Wilberforce Fire Department hall, located at the intersection of Loop Road and Essonville Line in Wilberforce. /DARREN LUM Staff

home was delayed by a lengthy hospital visit in Toronto, he returned home to Wilberforce aboard the I.B.&O. Railway after having been missing in action and presumed dead.

"Allen agreed with the idea to focus on Reg Schofield and ran with it. He wanted the mural to look as realistic as that time period so he asked for a picture of the train. The only picture I had was of my dad standing on the front of the train. I gave him the picture and never dreamt that he would paint dad into the picture. But he did. That is how the drive to include locals began. The picture of the man on the far side, with his toes just over the edge of the frame, the tall, thin man, that is Reg Schofield" said Barker.

"When my father came back from the war, he was in very bad shape. The picture on the mural shows him and a bunch of people getting off the train in a positive light. It was nice for them to include my dad this way but when he came back, he was in terrible shape, he would never look that good," said Barbara Schofield, daughter of Reg Schofield.

"Unfortunately, I talked to an older gentleman locally in the last couple of years, who basically said he remembers when my father returned from the war. He said they thought he was dead for years, so it was really quite a big thing when he returned because they didn't know where he was, they thought he died in battle," she added.

The mural represents the celebration of Reg's return home. Though this may not

have been how events actually turned out, it turns a traumatic time and portrays it under a positive light.

"When he did come back, they actually did march all the school children down to the train so that they could see him arrive, but what the mural doesn't show was that he was in such bad shape," said Schofield.

"The mural is really neat. I was really happy when Allen did it. It was a great idea because it commemorates the train and locals well. People today don't realize what used to be here. I'm also glad Allen presented my father," she added.

Schofield also donated money in support of the mural, "They had this poster up and it was all divided into squares,

and everybody could buy squares. That's how they raised the money. It was quite entertaining. Of course we bought squares on it and everything."

At the time, Hilgendorf would stay the night at Barker's house to cut travel costs and to make it easier for him to get up in the morning to paint. With the little time she spent with him, Barker recalls what a kind man he was.

"He was a very, very nice man, and he was a fantastic artist. He was also very quiet, nothing flashy about him. He was just very down to earth and painted beautiful scenes, mainly countries. He really wanted to understand the story and the people he was painting. He wanted there to be a story, so he would listen to you," said Barker.

"One night he came back from painting and the mural was just about done, but Allen said that it just needed a dog. We had a dog at that time so we brought the dog to the fire hall and the dog ran around in front of the mural and Allen took pictures. Then he painted the dog. He paid attention to detail like you wouldn't believe it," she added.

Hilgendorf's talent and attention to detail never goes unnoticed or unappreciated by local residents of Wilberforce. Even many visitors and tourists admire his remarkable work.

"He went through the trouble to find out about local people and to research what the original train station really looked like so his attention to detail was impressive. Allen did a really nice job. As far as his work and including local people, it was a job well done. His representations are really good because you can recognize who the people are," said Schofield.

"Everyone just loves it. Allen certainly brightened up a plain wall. People are just thrilled about the mural, and the people who know the history behind it are even more thrilled," concluded Barker.



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Five hundred and sixty-three kilometers

FRED GROVES
Staff Reporter

That is the distance between Essex (near Windsor) and Haliburton and I am delighted to have the opportunity to continue my journalism career.

When *Haliburton County Echo* and *Minden Times* Publisher David Zilstra asked me to write an introductory biography, I must admit, I really did not know how to approach my first assignment in my new home.

I drove up on Sunday in my loaded 2010 blue Ford Ranger and once I got past Toronto I was able to settle back, enjoy the ride and truly realize that I have entered paradise. Lakes, trees and small-town atmosphere is what I crave and am looking forward to very much. In the truck with me is a part of my heritage, my grandfather's desk which I plan on writing a novel based upon his remarkable life.

Who I am is not as important as what I am. I am a storyteller and have been for many, many years. Just how many miles I have logged as a writer and a journalist is something I want to share with each and every one of you. However, I want to do it in a somewhat non-traditional way.

Sure I could tell you how I wrote about the Walkerton Water Inquiry, interviewed Paul Henderson, Don Cherry and chatted with Kim Campbell, but instead of words on a page, I want to do it in person. This is a personal invitation to each and every resident in Haliburton County to join me for a cup of coffee, my treat, at the diner of your choice. Contact me, meet me and tell me about you and I in turn will tell you about myself.

After all, community journalism is about the people who live, work, play and grow in their surroundings and what better way for me to begin to tell your stories than meeting in person?

I consider myself very fortunate to be able to come to Haliburton and my intentions are to provide accurate and honest information to you, the people of Haliburton County. I am an investiga-



New reporter Fred Groves hails from Essex. He is looking forward to working, living and working in the Highlands. /Submitted

tive journalist and am not afraid to look under a rock to get the information you deserve.

Away from the job as a journalist, I intend to immerse myself in the community by walking the trails, paddling the lakes, exploring the Haliburton Forest, and enjoying a rich arts and culture scene. My personal interests are a reflection of what I write – sports, heritage and politics. I see I've come to the right place.

I look forward to meeting you all and to David and the talented, professional staff of the *Echo* and the *Times*, thank you.

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- CLUES ACROSS

 - 1. Flat-topped hill
 - 5. Move upward
 - 11. Admiration
 - 14. It's useful for serving food
 - 15. Kidnap
 - 18. One of the Greek Muses
 - 19. A type of media
 - 21. Sunscreen rating
 - 23. Former Michigan coach Brady
 - 24. German town devastated in WW2
 - 28. Gasteyer and Ortiz are two
 - 29. Leave
 - 30. Forearm bone
 - 32. Very fast airplane
 - 33. Helps little firms
 - 35. Defunct economic organization
 - 36. Science-based students organization (abbr.)
 - 39. Feels ill
 - 41. Indicates position
 - 42. Beverage containers
 - 44. Assists
 - 46. Science accreditation organization (abbr.)
 - 47. Purpose
 - 49. Group of elected officials
 - 52. Hebrew prophet
 - 56. They help you drink
 - 58. Lawmaker
 - 60. Charitable
 - 62. Doctrines
 - 63. Footwear

CLUES DOWN

 - 1. Where wrestlers work
 - 2. Dueling sword
 - 3. Practice fight
- 4. Genus of clams
 - 5. Fear of heights
 - 6. What some tell their dog
 - 7. The Golden State
 - 8. When you expect to get there
 - 9. Pointed ends
 - 10. Extinct flightless bird
 - 12. Feeds
 - 13. Nape of neck
 - 16. Descendant
 - 17. Small boats found in Turkey
 - 20. To avoid the risk of
 - 22. Athlete with no contract (abbr.)
 - 25. 13th letter of the Greek alphabet
 - 26. Brew
 - 27. Feeling of anxiety
 - 29. Young girls group
 - 31. Perform on stage
 - 34. White clerical vestment
 - 36. Popular musical awards show
 - 37. Bumpkins
 - 38. One who acts on another's behalf
 - 40. Direction
 - 43. Look at with fixed eyes
 - 45. One who helps professors (abbr.)
 - 48. A large number of
 - 50. Type of powder
 - 51. Large jug
 - 53. ___ Christian Anderson, children's author
 - 54. American state
 - 55. Muslim inhabitant of the Philippines
 - 57. Witness
 - 58. Landscapers lay it
 - 59. Type of bread
 - 61. Of I

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A Foundation for the Health of the Highlands

Invites you to their

Twenty-Fifth Annual General Meeting
Thursday, September 30, 2021– 10:00 am

Purpose of the Annual General Meeting: To receive the report of the Board of Directors, to receive the report of the Auditors & Financial Statements, the appointment of the Auditors, to conduct the election of the Directors and any other business as may properly come before the meeting.

The 25th Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation will be held as a virtual meeting conducted through the ZOOM application. In order to participate, members of the public who wish to attend will require an invitation, which will provide further information on how to participate.

For further information or to arrange for an invitation, please contact the HHHS Foundation at 705-457-1580 or foundation@hhhs.ca

OHTO announces its new workforce development and skills training funding program

Ontario's Highlands Tourism Organization (OHTO) is releasing its new Tourism Recovery & Innovation Program (TRIP) funding stream, called 'Skills Development'. This new funding stream will support tourism operators in enhancing their skills and expertise in tourism and business, while also supporting the workforce needs in the region's communities.

"Our tourism industry has been hit hard during the COVID-19 pandemic and has been faced with numerous challenges when it comes to the workforce," says Tegan Legge Chair of the OHTO Board of

Directors and General Manager at Haliburton Forest. "Being able to support operators directly with funds to get the training they need, and for their staff, will help businesses sustain themselves and be more prepared for the 2022 season."

Since the start of the pandemic, the tourism industry has experienced a significant shift in how it can operate to meet public safety guidelines while enduring significant revenue losses during the lockdown periods when public health guidelines outlined essential travel only. At the same time, the industry witnessed a change in consumer behaviour that required many to adapt their operations to offer a safe experience and meet new visitor expectations. From public safety to consumer expectations, all these changes require new training and skills development for both the operators and their staff.

"With limited revenue potential for our operators, the majority do not have the capacity to invest in workforce develop-

ment and skills training to meet the new expectations and needs as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic," says Nicole Whiting, OHTO's Executive Director. "Through a funding partnership with the Government of Ontario, we are now able to help reduce the capacity barrier and ensure our tourism industry can continue through, and recover from, the pandemic."

On Wednesday, Sept. 22 at 11 a.m., OHTO will be hosting a webinar to go over the TRIP - Skills Development stream objectives, outline what projects are eligible and ineligible, as well as applicant eligibility, funding conditions, and how to apply. The session is free to attend and will be facilitated through the Zoom platform.

The Tourism Recovery &

Innovation Program (TRIP) is an application-based program designed to strengthen resiliency in our tourism sector in response to the COVID-19 crisis. The TRIP - Skills

Development guidelines for 2021-2022 will be released on Sept. 22, and are focused on supporting projects that directly support tourism businesses and their employees to enhance their

knowledge and skills in tourism and business development. Applications to the program will begin to be accepted starting Sept. 22, and applications can be submitted online through the form available at www.come-wander.ca/trip.

Submitted

INSPECTION

NDMNRF-Approved Forest Management Plan Inspection Bancroft-Minden Forest 2021-2031 Forest Management Plan

The Ontario Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry (NDMNRF), Bancroft Minden Forest Company (BMFC) and the Bancroft-Minden Local Citizens' Committee (LCC) would like to advise you that the 2021- 2031 Forest Management Plan (FMP) for the Bancroft-Minden Forest has been approved by the NDMNRF Regional Director and is available for inspection.

The Planning Process

The FMP takes approximately three years to complete. During this time, five formal opportunities for public and First Nation and Métis community involvement are provided. The fourth opportunity (Stage Four) for this FMP occurred on March 19, 2021 to May 17, 2021 when the public was invited to review and comment on the draft FMP.

This 'Stage Five' notice is to advise you that the NDMNRF-approved FMP, including the supplementary documentation, and FMP summary are available electronically for inspection for the 10-year duration of the FMP through the office of the sustainable forest licensee and on the Natural Resources Information Portal at <https://nrip.mnr.gov.on.ca/s/fmp-online>.

Interested and affected persons and organizations can arrange a remote meeting with NDMNRF staff with the Bancroft district office to discuss the approved FMP.

For further information, please contact:

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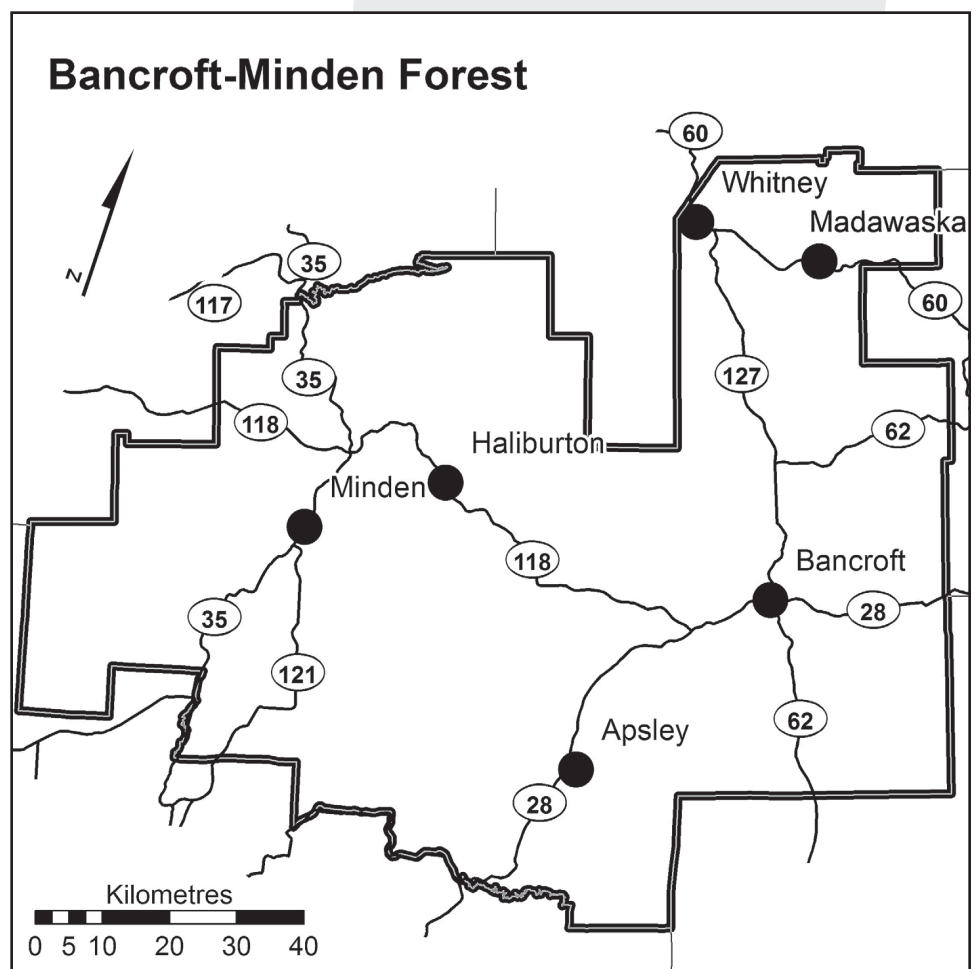
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U-Links names Andrew Gordon as new director

U-Links, Haliburton County's independent Community-Based Research Centre, has appointed a new Director: Dr. Andrew M. Gordon replaces Amanda Duncombe-Lee who stepped down in July to spend more time with her family. Gordon has been with the organization since July 1 on a part-time basis, and as of September 1, has moved into the full-time role of director. The Management Committee of U-Links thanks Amanda for her years of leadership at U-Links and the incredible contributions she has made to the growth and development of the program and welcomes Dr. Gordon to his new role.

Gordon has a Bachelor's degree in Forest Science from the University of New Brunswick and a Ph.D. in Ecosystem Ecology from the University of Alaska. He retired in 2017 from the University of Guelph, where he was a professor for more than 32 years in the fields of forest ecology and agroforestry, the incorporation of trees into farming systems. His career took him around the world on many occasions and he has worked from the arctic to Patagonia to tropical countries such as Ghana, Indonesia and Vietnam. He has a special interest in the interaction of aquatic and terrestrial systems stemming from his days in New Brunswick and is following the debate on the shoreline bylaw with considerable interest.

Gordon stresses that Haliburton, where he and his

family moved to in 2019, is a very familiar place to him. "My dad worked at the Frost Centre and the earliest picture I have of myself is of me in a sleigh in Dorset in 1956! During the early 1970s I spent a lot of time hitchhiking through parts of Haliburton County, and during my career I developed numerous forestry courses that were offered through the Frost Centre by the University of Guelph. My in-laws' family have been Haliburton County residents for decades."

U-Links is North America's only rural Community-Based Research Centre, created as a part of the Haliburton County Community Co-operative by a group of inspired local residents and Trent University professors in 1999. The foundation for U-Links was formed through an interdisciplinary bioregionalism program run by Professors Tom Whillans and John Wadland that focused on the Haliburton Highlands. Gordon invites anyone to visit the website (www.ulinks.ca) and to explore the searchable data-base which contains the results of more than 400 research projects undertaken since inception. U-Links works closely with Haliburton County entities and professors and students at both Trent University and Fleming College to answer questions and solve problems unique to Haliburton County. Gordon stresses that the relationships with the university and college in our region are historical and important. Over the years,

U-Links has also collaborated on specific projects with a number of other universities and Gordon muses about growing these connections to offer a broader range of expertise in Haliburton County. “We’ll see what we can broker,” said Gordon.

Gordon notes that the U-Links mandate embraces cultural, economic, social and environmental spheres. Over the years U-Links has facilitated research in all of these areas. “Right now”, he says, “environmental projects occupy approximately 80% of our time”. Not surprising considering the importance of the environment to the County’s local culture and economic base. Gordon pointed to the successful 2019 launch of the Woodlands and Waterways EcoWatch Program (WWEW), which currently partners with local lake associations, Trent University and Fleming College to monitor benthic populations and water quality. With the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust, U-Links and other partners are set to launch a terrestrial biomonitoring program as part of WWEW to look at the continued health of local forested ecosystems.

Gordon observed that Haliburton County, despite the high population of seasonal residents, has some serious all-year and ongoing social challenges. “Haliburton County has one of the highest rates of child poverty in the province, and the highest number of seniors per capita – these, and other social and business issues are items that U-Links is interested in and will pursue in due course.

Gordon notes that there have been a couple of recent staffing changes at U-Links but points out that while they left to pursue other opportunities they continue with their interest in the work of U-Links. "I have inherited a great job, largely because of the huge effort expended by Amanda Duncombe-Lee and Brendan Martin, former Environmental Program Coordinator, founding coordinator of the WVEW program and now advisor to the WVEW program. I want to thank them for leaving the organization in such good shape. We are also fortunate to have a very dedicated Management Committee of community volunteers and Trent and Fleming College faculty, a strong and experienced staff team and great community partnerships."

Sadie Fischer, who has several years with U-Links as a Research Associate, has taken over Brendan's role and is supported by two recent Research Associate hires, Joshua Solti and Amanda Porter. Daniela Pagliaro carries on as the Admin and Logistics Manager for U-Links, keeping track of the many movable pieces of this fairly complex organization.

Andy, as he likes to be called, can be reached at director@ulinks.ca, 705-286-2411 or on his personal cell at 705-457-8565. He encourages local businesses to approach him with “local business challenges and hopes for the future” as he begins to build bridges between Haliburton County and the larger provincial business community.

Gordon resides in Minden Hills with his wife Dr. Shelley Hunt, Chair of the Board of the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust, their son Ross and their incorrigible dog, Coco, a springer spaniel. Ross is a position player for the Muskoka Hornets hardball team, and as a result Gordon knows the rocks, trees and waterways of Highway 118 extremely well.

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Coumbs, Geraldine

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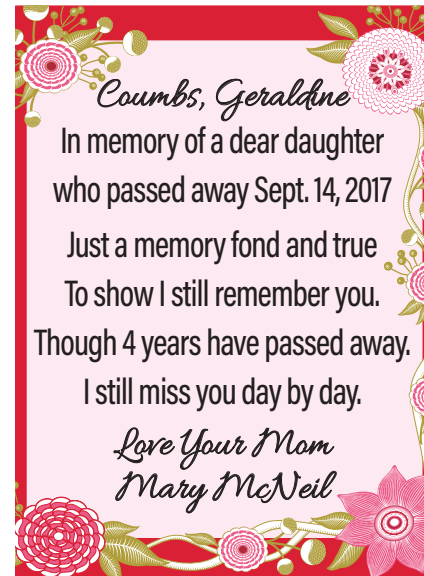
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Helen was an active member of her community. She was involved with The Girl Guides of Canada, The Ladies Auxiliary of the Keene Legion, and her many quilting groups. She was an avid traveller with fond memories of Holland and the friends her and Ed made there. Helen and Ed vacationed in the Haliburton Highlands since 1947. Building strong bonds with the Morrison Family of Maple Lake. Helen and Ed loved to snowmobile in the winter and camp in the summer. She will be dearly missed by the many friends and family she has in the West Guilford and Maple Lake area.

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In Loving Memory of

Ruth Margaret (Gorrie) Stutt

October 31, 1927 – August 19, 2021

With great sadness, we announce the peaceful passing of our mother. Predeceased by her parents Irwin and Emma Stutt and husbands Robert John Gorrie and Ralph Adrian Stutt. She will lovingly be remembered by daughters Wendy (Alfred) Vanderwal and Patricia Gorrie. Second mother to and dearly loved by Ralph's 3 children Maureen (Timothy) Edge, Brian (Sarah) Stutt, Elaine (Walter) Markham. Grandmother to Trevor (Rucell deceased) Vanderwal, Colin (Alesha) Vanderwal, Adrian Ussling, Karen, Christopher (Chantal), David (Heather), Ian (Megan), Adam (Jessica), Brendan (Kealey), Bruce (Tasha), Michael (Christina), Cristina, Sarah (Scott). Great grandmother to 22 great grandchildren.

Ruth was a well respected educator in Toronto, Minden and finally Principal of Victoria Street P.S. in Haliburton. An active member of the Elementary Teachers' Federation while working on her B.A. from Trent University, church organist, founding board member of the current Minden Public Library and avid traveller. Her greatest loves – Family, Faith and Friends. Well done good and faithful servant.

Special thanks to the dedicated and caring staff of Southlake and Amica Newmarket.

A private celebration of her life was held at Roadhouse & Rose funeral home, Newmarket. Cremation has taken place as per her wishes. Interment is on Thursday, September 23, 2021 at 1:30 pm at Carnarvon United Church Cemetery.

Memorial donations can be made to the Southlake Foundation or the Heart and Stroke Foundation.

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How could I wish or ask for more?
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In Loving Memory of **Anu Kerstin Lelap**

passed away on Monday, August 16, 2021, at home in Richmond Hill, in her 74th year.

Born in Sweden, to parents originally from Estonia, Anu attended elementary school in Toronto, then secondary school in Brighton, Ontario. Teachers' College came next followed by a lengthy career as a dedicated teacher in the Toronto area.

In the 1990's the cottage on Lake Kushog, designed by her, and her long time partner, Wally Ozog (who she first met on a cross country ski club outing), became the focal point for her passion for hiking, snowshoeing, cross country skiing, kayaking and involvement in many community activities.

Anu always loved to travel and explore different corners of the world. Most involved hiking or skiing, in Europe, Australia, New Zealand, South America, and across Canada from Newfoundland to British Columbia.

Pre-deceased by her parents, Ingel (Sarapuu) Lelap and Alfred Lelap, and brother Ain, the enthusiasm for life always exhibited by Anu will continue to be cherished by many, but especially by Wally, brother Lembit, niece Claire and sister-in-law Melanie.

A celebration of Anu's life is planned for Monday, 25 October from 2 - 4 p.m. at the Legion Hall in Haliburton. Under recently announced Covid-19 regulations there will be a requirement for all attendees to be fully vaccinated and to register with contact details.

In Loving Memory of **Wilding, Richard**

Passed away on
September 1, 2021 at the age
of 90 in Sudbury, Ontario.

Beloved husband of the late Florence Wilding (nee McKernon). Father of Linda (Ron), Richard (Karen), Stephen, Rosemarie (Roger), Christopher and the late Randy. Grandfather of six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Celebration of life will be held later this year at the Prospect cemetery in Toronto.



In Loving Memory of **Ray William Arppe** August 31, 2021

In his 90th year. Beloved husband of Diane for over 67 years. Cherished father of Bruce & Chris, Patti & Gordon, Kelli, Steven & Doris and Kenny (dec). Proud and loving grandfather and great grandfather.

Rest in peace Dad.



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The auditorium of the high school was filled with dozens of children enchanted by Ish the Clown. For pictures of their reactions to his clowning around, please turn to page 14.



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For 30 years, Dallyn Pickens made his way to Bark Lake Camp, not as a camper, but as the person who made sure the campers could enjoy their stay. Please see page 5 of our Third Section.



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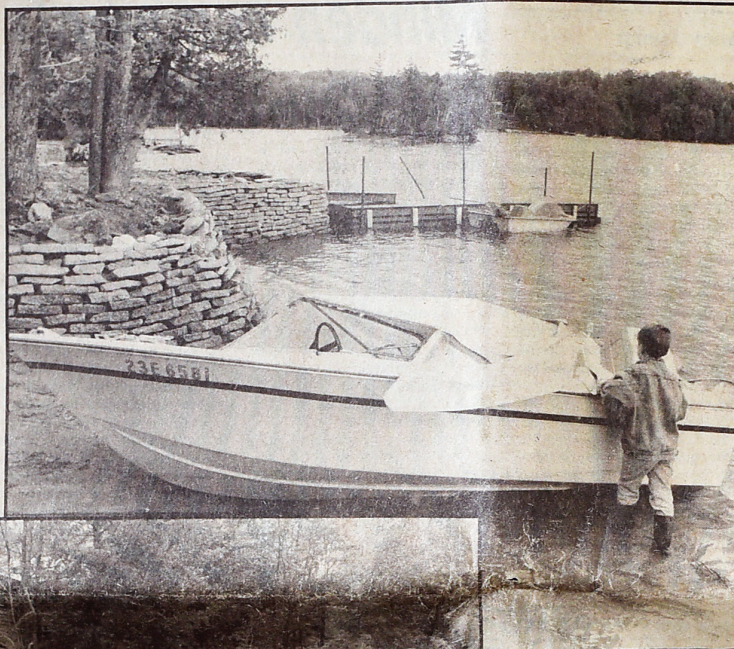


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Adam Clarkson surveys the damage a tornado did to his family's boat last Thursday. The twister flipped it upside down on the dock in the background, impaling it on the bent post



A huge birch tree, left, was one of several ripped out of the ground by the Bear Lake twister last Thursday. No one was injured and damage was otherwise light

Tornado tears up Bear Lake trees

by LEN PIZZEY
Editor

A twister swept over a corner of Bear Lake near Gooderham last Thursday, uprooting trees, damaging a boat and ripping the deck off a cottage before skipping up and touching down again in a wooded area, where it cut a swath at least 50 feet wide and several hundred feet long.

The small tornado was spawned in a thunderstorm that passed over the area just after 3 p.m.

Susan Clarkson and her two children, Adam and Mitchell, were in their Bear Lake home when the twister appeared. The sky was "very, very dark" and it was raining heavily, she recalled, as she surveyed the damage left in the storm's wake. Suddenly, through her open kitchen window, "I just heard an incredible roar."

She told Adam to run to the basement—something they had practiced in other threatening storms—and she followed, carrying Mitchell.

The roaring lasted only a few moments. When quiet returned, Clarkson looked out a basement window and was surprised to see branches blocking the view, where none had been before. There was no time to be afraid when the twister came, Clarkson said, but afterwards, she and Adam were shaken by the experience. Mitchell, a toddler, was too young to grasp the danger.

The twister tore a huge birch tree and several evergreens out of the ground. It lifted the Clarkson's boat, a Grew runabout, several feet in the air and slammed it upside down on a dock support post, which pierced the motor well. The boat's windshield was shattered. The deck of a cottage beside the Clarkson property was torn off, and the roof was slightly damaged. Several large trees were uprooted, but fell away from the cottage, which sustained no other damage. Only a few feet away from the path of the twister, a canoe lay undisturbed where it had been pulled up onto the beach.

If the twister's path had varied by a few feet, damage to the Clarkson home and the neighbouring cottage might have been substantial. As it was, Clarkson said her husband Brent, an insurance adjuster, estimated the damage to the boat, deck and cottage roof at about \$5,000.

Eakins defends stance at annual Liberal picnic

by JAY KERR-WILSON
Staff Reporter

The Haliburton County Liberal Association held its annual family picnic on Sunday and the more than 50 people in attendance enjoyed a lunch of barbecued hot dogs and hot buttered corn.

John Eakins, the MPP for Victoria-Haliburton and Minister of Municipal Affairs was on hand to socialize with local party supporters. The clouds that had threatened

rain during the morning cleared and the members were graced with sunshine.

At one point in the festivities Eakins was called on to defend his governments stand on Sunday shopping by one long-time party supporter. The Liberal Government has drafted legislation that would put the responsibility of determining whether or not stores should be open on Sunday, into the hands of the individual municipalities. The majority of municipal governments have said they think the province should set the regulations governing Sunday shopping. The fear is that the if one municipality allows the stores in its boundaries to open neighboring municipalities will have to follow suit in order to let their stores compete.

Eakins said there is a misconception that the bill will lead to wide open Sunday shopping. He said those municipalities who want Sunday shopping can have it and those that don't want it don't have to. The idea, according to Eakins, is that the province gives the responsibility to the municipality then the municipality can go to its people and find out what they want. The advantage, said Eakins, is that each municipality can draft a by-law to suit its needs and preference. "Nobody is making anybody do anything they don't want to."

Eakins pointed out that the proposed legislation would be tougher on stores that were in violation of the law than the present legislation.

Bruce Glass, a lawyer from Lindsay who is an outspoken opponent of free trade and a likely candidate for the Liberal nomination in an upcoming election, was also in attendance on Sunday.

is submitting his forecast for next year's capital expenditures, putting
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Reports agree more classes needed

by MARTHA PERKINS
Staff Reporter

The recommendations of the Victoria Street and Archie Stouffer Schools Accommodation Committees won't surprise very many people—more classroom space is needed in the county as soon as possible. But now that the point has been made clear with the committees' submissions, the board of education still has to make some tough decisions of how this can best be achieved.

At a special meeting on August 16, the board was presented with the findings of the two accommodation

committees. In Minden, where five classes will be held at the former Dollo grocery store, everyone wants an addition to be built onto the existing school. In Haliburton, where two kindergarten classes will be held in the Sir Sandford Fleming College campus, everyone agrees only that more classroom space is needed.

Depending on their route, they will either drop students off downtown and then proceed to Archie Stouffer, or vice-versa. In the afternoon, in order to prevent congestion, there will be a shuttle bus from the Dollo location to Archie Stouffer, explains Jim Bradley, the board's business administrator.

Both Archie Stouffer and Victoria Street Schools created classroom space apart from the main campus—space is a real problem

Where and how those classrooms are built has yet to be decided.

There is a sense of urgency at both schools, particularly in Minden, where the Dollo location is considered a short term solution to the lack of adequate classroom space at Archie Stouffer.

When parents took their concerns about safety and the loss of social interaction to the Ontario Municipal Board, the OMB chairman said that given the circumstances, the board's use of the commercial space as a school justified a rezoning application.

In a few weeks, bus drivers will drop children off at both Archie Stouffer and the Dollo location.

A shuttle bus will be used morning and evening in Haliburton because the Sir Sandford site isn't convenient for turning buses around, said Bradley. Kindergarten students will first be dropped off at Victoria Street School and then get on another bus taking them to the Sir Sandford location. Once the school day ends, the shuttle bus will take them from Sir Sandford to Victoria Street where they will board other buses to take them home.

Busing is a problem in the county, but one which won't go away. "Per capita, we bus more miles per student than any other school board in the province," Bradley says. What he will be doing in October



John Eakins serves up hot dogs at Sunday's picnic.

Echo open Labour Day

The Haliburton County Echo office will be open as usual, on Labour Day Monday, September 5. Our normal deadlines of Monday at 5 p.m. for classified and display advertising will apply for the September 7 issue.

May we take this opportunity to wish all our readers a safe and enjoyable holiday weekend.

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